OIB - C-130 Hercules 11/08/13 Science Report

Date: Friday, November 8, 2013

Mission: OIB

Mission Location: Thule, Greenland

Mission Summary:

LVIS/LVIS-GH C130 OIB Jakobshavn Icesat Flight

Today we flew a version of the Jakobshavn-ICESat plan, modified for basing at Thule. We mapped portions of six ICESat lines over Jakboshavn, also flown by the P3 in the Spring. Two of the lines were also flown by LVIS in September 2007. The initial transit to/from the lines over the ocean was cloudy, but we collected data over the ice sheet to/from line start/end. Conditions along the ICESat lines was clear.

Plexiglass-laser related issues continue with the energy divot present in LVIS-GH data during the flight. By the end of the flight, 4 smaller-magnitude energy divots were apparent in the LVIS swath. However, we believe these are fuel-leak (oil and hydraulic) related. Window is cleaned every morning.

Both instruments operated normally

Both cameras operated normally

Calibration manuevers attempted on transit to area and from area over ocean.

Submitted by: Michelle Hofton on 11/08/13

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Related Flight Report:

C-130 Hercules 11/08/13

Flight Number: 6

Payload Configuration: LVIS Nav Data Collected: No Total Flight Time: 7.7 hours

Submitted by: Cate Easmunt on 11/08/13

Flight Segments:

From:	BGTL	То:	BGTL	
Start:	11/08/13 11:55 Z	Finish:	11/08/13 19:39 Z	
Flight Time:	7.7 hours			
Log Number:	141001	PI:	Michael Studinger	
Funding Source:	Bruce Tagg - NASA - SMD - ESD Airborne Science Program			
Purpose of Flight:	Science			
Comments:	Next flight scheduled for Saturday November 9.			

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Flight Hours Approved in SOFRS	100	
Flight Hours Previously Approved		52.5
Total Used	47.5	90.7
Total Remaining		-38.2
141001 Flight Reports		

Date	Flt #	Purpose of Flight	Duration	RunningTotal	HoursRemaining	Miles Flown
11/06/13	5	Science	7.3	7.3	45.2	
11/08/13	6	Science	7.7	15	37.5	
11/09/13	7	Science	7.8	22.8	29.7	
11/12/13	8	Science	5.4	28.2	24.3	
11/14/13	9	Science	7.4	35.6	16.9	
11/15/13	Return transit, leg 1	Transit	8.5	44.1	8.4	
11/15/13	Return transit, leg 2	Transit	1.1	45.2	7.3	

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Date	Flt #	Purpose of Flight	Duration	Running Total	Hours Remaining	Miles Flown
09/27/13	FCF / ECF #1	Check	2	2	98	
10/26/13	PCF	Check	3.7	5.7	94.3	
10/29/13	Transit (incomplete)	Transit	5.2	10.9	89.1	
10/30/13	Transit	Transit	7.9	18.8	81.2	
10/31/13	1	Science	7.2	26	74	
11/01/13	2	Science	7.3	33.3	66.7	
11/04/13	3	Science	6.4	39.7	60.3	
11/05/13	4	Science	7.8	47.5	52.5	